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A Long Way Away

Vita, Frank

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Originally produced as a continuous 26-foot-long piece of art, *A Long Way Away* is the story of a space creature's journey from its celestial home – and back again! Designed to be read front-to-back and back-to-front, what this book lacks in story complexity it certainly makes up for in design and novelty. The plot is abstract, ethereal, and delightful, compelling readers to follow its unique design and read back through to find the resolution of the story. An exciting book to read both out loud and alone, for both children and adults, *A Long Way Away* would be a welcome addition to any home, school, or library bookshelf. With enduring themes of family, home, love, and belonging, Vita's piece is sure to inspire readers across the board. Highly recommended.

Courtney Raymond, Centennial Library Intern